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or Declaration is no longer required because an execution date has been omitted. MPEP § 602.05 (Feb. 2003) states in part:


The Office no longer checks the date of execution of the Oath or Declaration and the Office will no longer require a newly executed Oath or Declaration . . . where the date of execution has been omitted.

Secondly, Applicants submit that the proper cure for an omitted date in a multi-inventor Declaration is for the inventor who neglected to date the original document to submit a statement that corrects the omission.

Accordingly, Applicants are now submitting a Declaration from inventor Smialowicz to the effect that he signed the original Declaration on or about 15 January 1999. It is believed that this Declaration should satisfy any possible objection arising from the omission of the date in the original Declaration.

Respectfully submitted,

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